

## OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 17, 2014, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Brice, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg, Cruz, Erdman and Mercil.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2014 special meeting and regular meeting, and the November 10, 2014 special meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the proposed ordinance establishing the 2015 General Fund Operating Budget and Tax Levy. No one appeared and the hearing was declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No one appeared.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Brown, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to convene in closed session under Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (e) for the purpose of conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; specifically as it relates to bargaining strategies with respect to compensation to be paid in 2015 to union and non-union employees.

MOTION was made by Riedel, seconded by Solberg, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to return to open session.

BUDGET - MOTION to increase the Council – Schools and Conferences account 01.51110.439 to \$2,500 (from \$600) was made by Brown, seconded by Riedel, and lost on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Brice, Riedel, Brown, Erdman and Mercil. Noes: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Schwebs, Solberg and Cruz.

MOTION to reconsider the motion from the November 10, 2014 special meeting which approved \$9,000 for 2015 financial assistance to Crossroads Community Center was made by Traxler, seconded by Solberg, and lost on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Luther, Traxler and Solberg. Noes: Sutherland, Brice, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Cruz, Erdman and Mercil.

MOTION to reconsider the motion from the November 10, 2014 meeting that added a position of crime prevention specialist to the Menomonie Police Department 2015 budget (estimated cost of \$75,000 for salary and benefits) was made by Traxler, seconded by Solberg, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel and Brown opposed.

ORIGINAL MOTION from the November 10, 2014 meeting that added a position of crime prevention specialist to the Menomonie Police Department 2015 budget (estimated cost of \$75,000 for salary and benefits) lost on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Luther, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown and Cruz. Noes: Traxler, Sutherland, Brice, Solberg, Erdman and Mercil.

MOTION to approve \$37,500 (includes salary and benefits) for 2015 financial assistance to the Menomonie Police Department 2015 budget for a position of crime prevention specialist was made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, and carried on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Luther, Traxler, Brice, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Cruz and Erdman. Noes: Sutherland, Solberg and Mercil.

MOTION authorizing a contingency fund of \$250,000 for the 2015 budget was made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel and Brown opposed.

ORDINANCE appropriating the necessary funds for the operation of the government and administration of the City of Menomonie for the year 2015 (tax levy of \$6,390,970) was introduced by Solberg. MOTION to waive the first reading of the ordinance was made by Cruz, seconded by Traxler, and carried. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Solberg, seconded by Schwebs, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel and Brown opposed.

MOTION approving the request for partial storm sewer easement release from Commonweal Development for the project at 503 South Broadway was made by Schwebs, seconded by Mercil, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

MOTION was made by Brown, seconded by Cruz, and carried with Riedel opposed to approve the request from the American Cancer Society for the Relay for Life special event in Wilson Park on September 12, 2015.

BUDGET – MOTION was made by Traxler, seconded by Schwebs, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve the following budget transfers:

- \$1,559 from Police 01.52110.493 Fees to 01.52110.714 Admin. Lieutenant - Computer;
- \$7,500 from Contingency 01.60000.699 to Machinery & Equipment 01.54110.453 Parts & Repair Supplies;
- \$746 from Inspection 01.52410.423 Codes & Manuals to 01.52410.701 Capital Outlay (File Cabinet).

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Knaack reminded everyone of the upcoming Winterdaze Parade on December 11, 2014.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –Clayton Brice announced that he submitted a letter of resignation as the Ward 4 Council representative, effective November 30, 2014, due to moving out of the ward.

CLAIMS - MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Brice, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve payment of the following claims:

**Claims**

ACS	\$ 6,627.84
Ascent Aviation	20,206.80
Auto Value	80.89
Bartingale Mechanical	10,543.13
Bear Valley Electric	7,750.00
Cedar Country Coop	57.99
Charter Communications	176.01
Commonweal	1,000.00
Croix Area Fence	2,965.49
DS Electric	160.00
District 2, Inc.	44.70
Elk Mound Seed	79.90
Equipment Rental Co.	336.37
Farrell Equipment	1,084.83
Fleet Pride	46.96
H G Meigs	895.20
Haas Sons, Inc.	490.88
Heartland Contractors	30,121.79
Hofacker Construction	981.25
Indianhead Truck Equip.	283.25
Kraemer Company	1,482.40
Lark Uniform	3,540.20
Lentz Fertilizer	800.00
Lighting Design Solutions	1,026.00
Manpower	3,468.23
Mid State Int’l. Trucks	8,806.78
Northtown	100.12
O’Reilly Auto Parts	41.46
Staples Advantage	1,435.93
US Postal Service	874.96
Universal Truck Equip.	444.13
V & H, Inc.	227.83
Verizon	2,332.69
Winter Equipment	1,509.35
WI Dept. of Transportation	11,430.07
Xcel Energy	49,233.97
Zarnoth Brush Works	413.00

**Parking Utility**

Fastenal	\$ 524.71
Transmotive Auto Repair, LLC	333.42

MOTION was made by Mercil, seconded by Luther, and carried to approve the following licenses:

**CIGARETTE:** Badawi N. Junaidi (Still Vapor – 2321 Hwy 25 N., Suite 303).

**OPERATORS:** Judith E. Foust; Kathryn L. Kern; Stephanie K. Lee; Katrina L. Peters; Katherine A. Prouty; Emelia K. Roso; Rachel J. Weber.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried.